# OFFICE OF VOLUNTEER SERVICES



### 2004 HOLIDAY DONATION DRIVE

Please Help Us
Make A
Difference in the
Lives of Children
and Families This
Holiday Season



Please fax your preferences to Nyjeri Whipps at (202) 727-6505 by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

#### PLEASE NOTE:

- All donations must be dropped-off at CFSA by the donor.
- Check donations must be made payable to the DC Treasurer.
- All gifts must be unwrapped.



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### **Thanksgiving Food Baskets**

Provide a family or several families with Thanksgiving dinner by putting together a Thanksgiving Food Basket. Fill a basket with non-perishable Thanksgiving food and provide a grocery store gift certificate for the purchase of a turkey. <u>A</u> certificate of \$15 to \$20 should cover the cost of the turkey. We do not have access to refrigerated storage and are unable to accept turkeys. Please stock each basket to feed at least four people.

□ Check box to sign up. How many baskets will you contribute? \_\_\_\_\_

DELIVERY DATE: November 23rd/8am-12pm

### Gifts for Specific Children

Go shopping with a particular child or children in mind. You provide us with the number of children you wish to buy gifts for, and we provide you with the name, age, gender, clothing and shoe sizes and suggested gifts for each child. We encourage donors to purchase 3 gifts per child and to sponsor a minimum of 20 children. **Gifts must be UNWRAPPED** and delivered to CFSA.

□ Check box to sign up. How many children (3 gifts per child) will you sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_\_

DELIVERY DATES: December 6th & 7th/8am-4pm

#### **General Gift Donations**

You or your company may wish to make a general donation of toys for children. This option is similar to the "Toys for Tots" model. Simply go shopping and purchase gifts that you think children would enjoy receiving. Please estimate the number of toys you anticipate collecting. **Gifts must be UNWRAPPED and delivered to CFSA** 

□ Check box to sign up. How many gifts will you donate? \_\_\_\_\_ DELIVERY DATES: December 13th & 14th/8am-4pm

### **Family Sponsorship**

If you are interested in more personal interaction with an entire family for Thanksgiving and/or the December holidays, Family Sponsorship is the way to go. You tell us how many and what kinds of families you are interested in sponsoring (i.e., number or age of children, grandmother caregiver, single parent etc.). Once you sign a confidentiality form and the sponsored family signs consent to release their contact information, you will contact the family directly. <a href="Instead of delivering your donations to CFSA">Instead of delivering your donations to CFSA</a>, you work directly with the family and deliver donations directly to them. Family sponsors generally provide both gifts and assistance with holiday meal planning.

□ Check box to sign up. How many families will you sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_\_

DELIVERY DATE: Determined by donor

### **Monetary Donations**

All checks must be made <u>payable to the DC Treasurer</u>. Write in the memo section <u>2004 Holiday Donation Drive</u>.

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Name	_Company
Address	
City, State Zip	
	Fax
- Fmail	

## **HOLIDAY TOYS/GIFTS WISH-LIST: (Unwrapped)**

Here are some recommended gift ideas for children and youth served by CFSA. We encourage you to please remember our foster teens; we often have the most difficulty providing gifts for teens.

#### **TODDLERS:**

Crib Toys Activity Blanket Tub Toys ABC Blocks Shape Sorter Soft Books

Pull/Push Toy

#### YOUNG CHLDREN:

**AGES: 2-4** 

Sit-n-Spin Jr. Basketball Hoop Reading Books Dolls Toy Truck/Cars Gift Certificates

**AGES: 5-8** 

Dolls Hot Wheels Reading Books
Crayons/Markers Lego Blocks Toy Truck/Cars
Balls Movies (VHS/DVD) Workbooks

Gift Certificates

**AGES: 9 – 12** 

Barbie Dolls Barbie Accessories Hot Wheels & Tracks
Reading Books Jr. Walkman Books with Tapes
Art Activity Kits Computer Software Workbooks
Game Boy & Games Movies (VHS/DVD) Gift Certificates

#### TEENS/YOUNG ADULT: 13 - 18

For this age group, **GIFT CERTIFICATES** are preferable for the following: Hand-held electronics, portable CD player, music CDs, DVD player, DVDs, video games, athletic wear, clothing, team jerseys, sports equipment, computer software, computers, desks and books, movie passes and toiletries.